

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6322
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GROWTH RATE OF SSI SECTOR
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether after modification of excise duties of some of the goods of small scale sector in the current budget any changes have been made for increasing growth rate of small scale sector;
- (b) if so, the names of the goods which are growing fast in the States; and
- (c) in comparison with among the States and the previous year which State comes first in respect of production and sale?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE, THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) to (c): The growth of Small Scale Industries (SSI) sector depends on a variety of factors including fiscal incentives. The modifications made in the Union Budget 2002-03 in the excise duties on items like Marble, Granite, Wattle extract, Air gun, Air pistol, Air rifle (not covered under the Arms Act), etc., are likely to help higher growth in these sub sectors of the SSI throughout the country.